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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Kumar et al.)
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Title: TRANSACTION STRUCTURES AND METHODS CONCERNING THE FORWARD
SALE OF A COMMODITY

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed March 11, 2008 in connection with the above-identified application, Applicants respond as follows, wherein:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2;

Claim Amendments begin on page 3; and

Remarks begin on page 9.